

# **National Philanthropy Day**

## **Previous Award Recipients**

### **Benjamin Franklin Award for an Outstanding Fundraising Professional**

2024 Amy Knape, Amplify GR  
2023 Lacey Dixon, YMCA  
2022 Mary Panek  
2021 Mary McLoughlin  
2020 Shannon Small-Wilson  
2019 Aaron Turner, WGVU PBS and NPR, Grand Rapids  
2018 Vicki Weaver, Spectrum Health Foundation and Helen DeVos  
Children's Hospital Foundation, Grand Rapids  
2017 Marcie Hillary, Hospice of Michigan, Grand Rapids  
2016 Diane Lobbestael, Grand Rapids Symphony  
2015 Tom Monaghan, Grand Rapids  
2014 Ann Fergemann, Kalamazoo Community Foundation  
2013 Michelle Rabideau, Saint Mary's Foundation  
2012 Nancy Owen, CFRE  
2011 Marilyn Zack, Grand Rapids Community Foundation  
2010 Robert Berkhof, Calvin College, Grand Rapids  
2007 Richard Roeters, Grand Rapids  
2006 Bernard S. Palchick, Kalamazoo College  
2005 Alice Kemerling, CFRE, Kalamazoo  
2004 Molly Parker, Grand Rapids Community Foundation  
2003 Mary Louise Avery, CFRE, Grand Rapids  
2002 Joyce Hecht, Grand Valley State University, Grand Rapids  
2001 Brenda Hunt, Battle Creek Community Foundation  
2000 Debra L. Minton, CFRE, Grand Rapids  
1999 John Heerspink, Kalamazoo  
1998 Eugene Proctor, Grand Rapids  
1997 Gregory B. Geise, Binder Park Zoo, Battle Creek  
1994 John F. Nordstrom, Hope College, Holland  
1993 Dr. Marilyn Schlack, Kalamazoo Valley Community College  
1992 Sr. M. Aquinas Weber O.P., Grand Rapids  
1991 Richard Calkins, Grand Rapids Community College  
1990 Richard R. Miller, West Michigan Shores Council Boy Scouts of America, Grand Rapids  
1989 Robert DeYoung, Hope College, Holland

### **Distinguished Philanthropist Award**

2024 Leslie Brown, Metal Flow Corporation  
2022 Marlin Feyen and Ruth Posthumus  
2021 Chris Andrus  
2020 Sam and Jean Martin  
2019 Joe and Clara Stewart Family, Battle Creek  
2016 Patricia and Karl Betz, Jr., Grand Rapids  
2015 Marc and Jeanne Schupan, Kalamazoo  
2014 Robert and Eleanor DeVries, Battle Creek

2013 Chuck and Stella Royce, Grand Rapids  
2012 Mary O'Connor, Ionia  
2011 Armen Oumedian, Grand Rapids  
2010 Thomas S. and Mickie Fox, Grand Rapids  
2009 William and Julia Van Domelen, Kalamazoo  
2008 John G. and Kathryn S. Polzin, Kalamazoo  
2007 Robert and Paulette Israels, Grand Rapids  
2005 Suzanne U.D. Parish, Kalamazoo  
2004 James W.F. and Donna K. Brooks, Holland  
2003 Jim and Ginger Jurries, Holland  
2002 Leslie "Les" E. Tassell, Grand Rapids  
2001 Peter P. and Pat Renucci, Grand Rapids  
1999 Fred M. and Bernadine Keller, Grand Rapids  
1998 G. W. and Edna Haworth, Holland  
1997 Wilbur Lettinga, Grand Rapids  
1996 Preston and Marjorie Kool, Battle Creek  
1995 Richard and Helen DeVos, Grand Rapids  
1994 Frederik and Lena Meijer, Grand Rapids  
1993 Mary U. and Edwin Meader, Kalamazoo  
1992 Beulah Kendall, Battle Creek  
1991 Peter M. Wege, Grand Rapids  
1990 James and Audrey Sebastian, Grand Rapids  
1989 Edgar and Elsa Prince, Holland  
1988 Genevieve U. Gilmore, Kalamazoo  
1987 Peter C. Cook, Grand Rapids

**Emerging Nonprofit Development Professional**

2024 Zoey Goehring, Humane Society of West Michigan  
2023 Winni Walsh, American Heart Association  
2022 Kelly Jandernoa, Red Glasses Movement  
2021 Rachel Humphreys, Infinity Mentoring  
2020 Megan Lorenz, West Michigan Center for the Arts + Technology  
2019 Ben Nyhoff, Kid's Food Basket, Grand Rapids  
2018 Stephanie Kerr-Cathey, Kid's Food Basket, Muskegon

**Outstanding Corporation, Foundation or  
Community Organization Award**

2024 Haworth, Inc.  
2023 Fifth Third Bank  
2022 Consumers Energy Foundation  
2021 Meijer  
2020 The McLoughlin Family Foundation  
2019 Open Systems Technologies, Grand Rapids

**Outstanding Youth in Philanthropy Award**

2024 Brooklynn Schmuker, Rockford High School  
2023 Kalamazoo Central High School  
2022 Alice Kraatz

2021 Youth Alliance Committee of the Battle Creek Community Foundation  
2020 Cydney Warner  
2019 Jenison High School Student Body  
2018 Janean Couch and the Grand Rapids Community Foundation Youth Grant Committee  
2016 St. Mary's School, Grades K-6, Westphalia  
2015 Aubrey Cohoon, Grand Rapids  
2014 Adeline Steele, Grand Rapids  
2013 Charlie Wondergem, Grand Rapids  
2009 Bernadine Mott Chapter of the National Honor Society, Comstock  
2007 Kelly Wier, Grand Rapids  
2006 Joseph A. Medcalf, Grand Rapids Community Foundation  
2003 Hope College Dance Marathon, Holland  
2002 The Casa Hogar Project at Aquinas College, Grand Rapids  
2001 The Children who reside at Lakeside Treatment and Learning Center, Kalamazoo  
2000 Quan Lateef, Kalamazoo  
1999 Hanna R. Scheid, Grand Rapids  
1998 Youth Advisory Committee of the Community Foundation of the Holland/Zeeland Area  
1996 Leelanau Youth Advisory Council  
1995 Kenowa Hills Junior Bankers, Grand Rapids  
1994 Sean Eap, Holland  
1993 Program Houses, Aquinas College, Grand Rapids  
1992 Youth United Way, Kalamazoo

**Outstanding Volunteer Fundraiser Award**

2024 The Grateful Team, Make-A-Wish West Michigan  
2023 Miles for Memories  
2022 James Haveman  
2021 Kendall Meijer  
2020 John Everts  
2019 Michael Bohnsack, Grand Rapids  
2018 Veverly Austin, Grand Rapids  
2017 Sue Den Herder  
2016 Mike and Sharon Seelye, Kalamazoo  
2015 Diane Barton, Allegan  
2014 Brian Cloyd, Grand Rapids  
2013 Meg Miller Willit, Grand Rapids  
2012 Jane Patterson, Holland  
2011 Christine Visner, Grand Rapids  
2010 Tom Edmonds, Kalamazoo  
2009 Dave and Jane Armstrong, Holland  
2008 Dr. James B. Fahner, Grand Rapids  
2007 Henry Holland, Kalamazoo  
2006 Louise M. Fabeck, Grand Rapids  
2005 Sharron Reynolds, Grand Rapids  
2004 Wallson and Rebecca Knack, Grand Rapids  
2004 Phil and Nancy Miller, Holland

2003 Patti Huiskamp, Kalamazoo  
2002 Carl E. Ver Beek, Grand Rapids  
2001 Betty Lee Ongley, Kalamazoo  
2000 Blaine and Bobbie Lam, Kalamazoo  
1999 Norma VanKuiken, Grand Rapids  
1998 Carolyn Bailey-Marquis, Holland  
1997 Susanne M. Janis, Traverse City  
1996 Jeannie Miralrio, Battle Creek  
1995 George Arwady, Kalamazoo  
1994 H. Richard “Dick” Morganstern, Muskegon  
1993 James McQuiston, Battle Creek  
1992 Ann V. Parfet, Kalamazoo  
1991 Elizabeth S. Upjohn, Kalamazoo  
1990 F. W. “Fritz” Bennetts, Lansing  
1989 Susan Gilmore, Kalamazoo  
1988 Margaret “Maggie” L. Rogers, Grand Rapids  
1987 Kay Vandenhoute, Lansing

#### **President’s Award**

2024 Keith Hopkins, Hopkins Fundraising  
2023 David and Carol Van Andel  
2022 Grand Rapids Community Foundation  
2018 Louise “Punky” Edison, Grand Rapids  
2017 Jean Krohn, Battle Creek  
2016 Pat McLaughlin, The Timothy Group, Grand Rapids  
2015 Mitten Brewing Company, Grand Rapids  
2014 Shelley Irwin, Grand Rapids  
2013 Betsy Borre, Grand Rapids  
2012 The Kalamazoo Promise  
2011 Children’s Assessment Center, Grand Rapids  
2010 Luke Eastburg, Grand Rapids  
2009 Ben Richardson, Grand Rapids  
2006 Kate Pew Wolters, Grand Rapids  
2005 Dr. William C. Richardson, Battle Creek  
2003 Sr. M. Aquinas Weber, O.P., Grand Rapids  
2001 Arend Lubbers, Grand Valley State University  
2000 Kellogg Company, Battle Creek  
1999 Dorothy Johnson, Grand Haven  
1998 William E. LaMothe, Battle Creek  
1996 Bill Stoffer, Albion  
1994 Gail G. and Glen C. Smith, Jr., Kalamazoo  
1993 Joseph Dunnigan, Kalamazoo  
1992 Ward Nay, Kalamazoo

#### **The West Michigan Chapter Award for Excellence in Fundraising**

2024 Dégagé Ministries  
2023 Wedgwood Christian Services

2022 Bronson Health Foundation  
2021 Family Promise of Grand Rapids  
2020 Wedgwood Christian Services  
2019 Gran Fondo, MSU College of Human Medicine  
2018 Phoenix Society for Burn Survivors, Grand Rapids  
2017 Mary Free Bed Rehabilitation Hospital Foundation, Grand Rapids  
2016 Holland Home Foundation, Grand Rapids  
2014 Paws With A Cause, Wayland  
2013 Kids' Food Basket, Grand Rapids  
2004 St. John's Home, Grand Rapids  
2003 Hospice of Holland  
2000 Starr Commonwealth, Albion  
1999 Aquinas College, Grand Rapids  
1998 Sherman Lake YMCA Outdoor Center, Augusta  
1996 Junior League of Kalamazoo, Inc.  
1995 Binder Park Zoo, Battle Creek  
1993 Grand Rapids Symphony  
1992 United Arts and History Council of Calhoun County  
1991 Holland Home, Grand Rapids  
1990 Planned Parenthood of Kalamazoo  
1989 St. Cecilia Music Society, Grand Rapids

**Discontinued Award:**

**Executive Leader Award**

2007 Michelle Van Dyke, Grand Rapids  
2006 Fred P. Keller, Grand Rapids  
2005 William DeNooyer, Kalamazoo  
2004 Earle S. "Win" Irwin, Grand Rapids  
2003 David Frey, Grand Rapids  
2002 Philip H. McCorkle, Jr., Grand Rapids  
2001 Martin J. Allen, Jr., Grand Rapids  
2000 Dr. James Fahner, Grand Rapids  
1999 Stuart Ray, Grand Rapids  
1998 Richard W. Young, Grand Rapids  
1997 Joseph M. Stewart, Battle Creek  
1996 John Canepa, Grand Rapids  
1995 Casey Wondergem, Grand Rapids  
1994 Ronald J. Davis, Kalamazoo  
1993 Robert Woodrick, Grand Rapids  
1992 Patrick Quinn, Grand Rapids  
1991 Robert B. Tower, Kalamazoo  
1990 Dr. Theodore Cooper, Kalamazoo  
1989 Richard Morton, Grand Rapids  
1988 John Jackoboice, Grand Rapids  
1987 David Hatfield, Kalamazoo

**Discontinued Award:**

**Award of Merit for Outstanding Leadership**

1995 John Lore, Former CEO, NSFRE, Ann Arbor  
1993 Patricia Lewis, CEO, NSFRE, Alexandria, VA  
1992 Russell Mawby, Battle Creek  
1991 Theodore F. McCarty, Kalamazoo  
1989 John R. McFarland, Kalamazoo  
1988 Howard Kalleward, Kalamazoo

**Discontinued Award:****Outstanding Corporation Award**

2018 Lake Michigan Credit Union  
2017 Perrigo Company, Allengan  
2016 Howard Miller, Zeeland  
2015 Steelcase, Grand Rapids  
2014 BISSELL, Grand Rapids  
2013 Miller Welding Supply, Grand Rapids  
2010 Mill Steel Company, Grand Rapids  
2009 State Farm Insurance, Kalamazoo  
2008 McCrosky Marketing Communications, Kalamazoo

**Discontinued Award:****Exemplary Foundation Award**

2017 Allegan County Community Foundation, Allegan  
2015 Kalamazoo Community Foundation, Kalamazoo  
2014 Bill and Bea Idema Foundation, Grand Rapids  
2013 M.E. Davenport Foundation, Grand Rapids  
2012 The Carls Foundation  
2011 The Steelcase Foundation, Grand Rapids  
2008 The Wege Foundation, Grand Rapids  
2007 Ronald Kilgore, Dorothy U. Dalton Foundation  
2006 Frey Foundation, Grand Rapids  
2004 Community Foundation of the Holland/Zeeland Area  
2003 Harold and Grace Upjohn Foundation  
2002 Herbert H. and Grace A. Dow Foundation  
2001 John E. Hopkins, Kalamazoo Community Foundation  
2000 Elizabeth H. Binda, Binda Foundation, Battle Creek  
1999 Fremont Area Foundation  
1998 W. K. Kellogg Foundation, Battle Creek  
1997 Mary Caroline "Twink" Frey, Nokomis Foundation  
1996 Diana Sieger, Grand Rapids Community Foundation  
1995 Patricia Johnson, Muskegon Community Foundation  
1994 Upjohn Company Foundation, Kalamazoo  
1993 Paul Johnson, Loutit Foundation, Grand Haven  
1992 Beth Goebel, Dyer-Ives Foundation, Grand Rapids  
1991 Alfred H. Taylor, Jr., The Kresge Foundation, Troy  
1990 Kate Wolters, Steelcase Foundation, Grand Rapids  
1989 Russell Gabier, Irving S. Gilmore Foundation  
1987 Patricia Hannagan Edison, Grand Rapids Community Foundation